Government of NCT of Delhi has adopted the following strategy in regard to slum/jhuggi dwellers in Delhi since 1990:–

Where land is required urgently for public purpose, J.J. dwellers are relocated at plots cut by DDA/MCD after acquisition of land. Allotment of 18 sq.mt. plot is made to pre-1990 squatters and 12.5 sq.mt. plot to post-1990 but pre-31.12.98 squatters. The allotment is done on licence fee basis. However, *in-situ* upgradation of the J.J. clusters is undertaken where the land owning agency gives no objection certificate to the effect that it does not need land in foreseeable future.

The cost of relocation plot is shared as follows:

* Rs. 44000/– for 18 sq. mt. plot (share of land owning agency– Rs. 29000/– + plan assistance by Govt. of NCT of Delhi– Rs. 1000/– + contribution from beneficiaries–Rs. 5000/–)

* Rs. 35000/– for 12.5 sq. mt. plot (share of land owning agencies– Rs. 20000/– + plan assistance by Govt. of NCT of Delhi– Rs. 10000/– + contribution from beneficiaries – Rs. 5000/–)

However, the relocation policy of slum/J.J. dwellers in Delhi is *sub-judice* and in a special leave petition filed by the Union of India and Govt. of NCT of Delhi against the order dated 29.11.2002 in civil writ petition Nos. 4441/1994 & 2112/2002 passed by the Delhi High Court setting aside the policy, the Supreme Court in its interim orders dated 19.2.2003 and 3.3.2003 stayed the order of the Delhi High court and has allowed Government to continue with the existing policy and allot land for relocation subject to the result of the petition.

Central assistance for slum dwellers in Bangalore

4167. DR. VIJAY MALLYA:
SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY:
SHRI R.S. GAVAI:

Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Karnataka had sent any proposal seeking Central assistance to provide basic amenities and housing to the slum dwellers of Bangalore city under the Integrated Slum Development Project;

(b) if so, the amount of Central assistance sought;

(c) the number of slum dwellers proposed to be provided with housing and other basic amenities in Bangalore under the above project;

(d) the steps if any, taken by Government in this regard; and

(e) the reasons for delay, if any, in clearing the project and by when it would be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Funds for urban poor

4168. SHRI VARINDER SINGH BAJWA : Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether her ministry provides funds or any other sort of assistance to the State Governments for providing basic facilities to the urban poor;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the assistance provided to State Government of Punjab during the last three years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) With a view to ameliorate the living conditions of the slum dwellers, a programme known as National Slum Development Programme (NSDP) was launched at the National level by the Government in August, 1996 for the development of urban slums. One of the objectives of this Programme is to provide basic amenities to slum dwellers living in urban slums.

(c) No funds could be provided to the State Government of Punjab, under the NSDP, during the last three years as the pending Utilization Certificates (UCs) for the funds already released to the State Government during the earlier years are awaited.